

ZEPPELIN FLEET HOVERS OVER NORTH SEA AND THREATENS INVASION OF ENGLAND

were erected to repel the German attack, there are no less than 15 forts around Verdun, on both sides of the Meuse River. The most of these are fortresses of the first-class, which were erected when the German advance against the city began. They are protected with the finest artillery in the French army and the garrison contains an army in itself.

of this exploit was not divulged. The quintet of German Taubes were taken by a French cavalry patrol. Twenty aviators entered a clearing where the prize awaited them. The aviators and a number of mechanics at the time were engaged in overhauling the machines. The patrol made a dash to round up the lot, but the German aviators drew their magazine pistols and began firing. Twelve aviators were killed before the aviators were overpowered and the aeroplanes seized.

SURRENDER OF VERDUN CERTAIN, BERLIN BELIEVES

That the main line of the French forts, extending from Verdun to Toul, is being battered to pieces by the German siege guns—the 42-centimetre mortars—was announced by the War Office today.

fences along the River Oise and the Aisne is intact, and the efforts of the enemy to carry the forts by night attacks have proved futile.

Official announcement is made that siege guns have been taken from Metz to bombard Verdun and the strong French forts in the vicinity of that stronghold.

"Along the line from our right through the Argonne forests no important engagements have taken place. East of the Argonne the German lines have been extended through Varennes, which was taken by a series of brilliant assaults, in which the enemy lost heavily.

The official statement is: "The German troops are attacking the entire line of the French fortifications along the French eastern frontier from Verdun to Toul. In an attempt to raise the siege and prevent the demolition of their forts, already suffering severely from the German shell fire, the French have made several attacks in force on the German lines.

"The situation in Belgium and the eastern theatre is unchanged.

"All have been repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy, who has also been driven back on his main supports.

"In French Lorraine and on the Aisne frontier, fighting proceeds, but there has been little change there from the situation as previously reported.

VERDUN SITUATION GRAVE IS LONDON ADMISION

Slight gains for the Allies at Peronne and before St. Quentin in the German right in the last 24 hours are offset by advantage gained by the Kaiser's troops against the French right, southeast of Verdun.

patches assert just as jubilantly that the Allies have occupied Peronne.

The Germans are undoubtedly rushing reinforcements from the rear to the left in Belgium to bolster the defenses of General von Kluck and, despite the optimistic reports from the rear of the Allies, apparently are succeeding in holding their positions there.

That the Germans have occupied the heights of the Meuse and are marching in the direction of St. Mihiel, says the statement. This can mean nothing but that Verdun, long the object of a stubborn attack by the Germans, is now attacked on three sides, with the railroad to Chalons, to the west, open still as its line of communication and source of supplies and reinforcements.

SCHWAB TO FURNISH ARMORED TRUCKS TO WARRING NATIONS

Said to Have Been Commissioned by Two European Countries to Supply Hundreds of Equipped Autos.

AGED POLISH PRINCE IS DETAINED AS SPY IN RUSSIAN CAPITAL

Court-martial Awaits Reichstag Leader—Berlin Also Reports Resignation of South African Leader.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Sept. 25.—During the last few days a large number of representatives of automobile concerns have been here, and the reason for their presence was indicated today in the report that two European countries now at war have commissioned Charles M. Schwab to have built for them several hundred armored and gun-equipped motor trucks. The order will cost hundreds of thousands of dollars.

BERLIN (by wireless to Sayville, L. I., Sept. 25).—German Polish residents here have received word that the aged Prince Radziwill, leader of the Polish party in the German Reichstag, who was arrested in Petrograd by the Russian authorities, is now being charged with being a spy and is to be court-martialed.

Mr. Schwab will not talk about the matter, closely adhering to the policy of the State Department, which recently issued directions to consuls in this country whose business is to manufacture munitions to avoid publicity in matters where they have dealings with European countries now at war and thus avoid possible violation of neutrality.

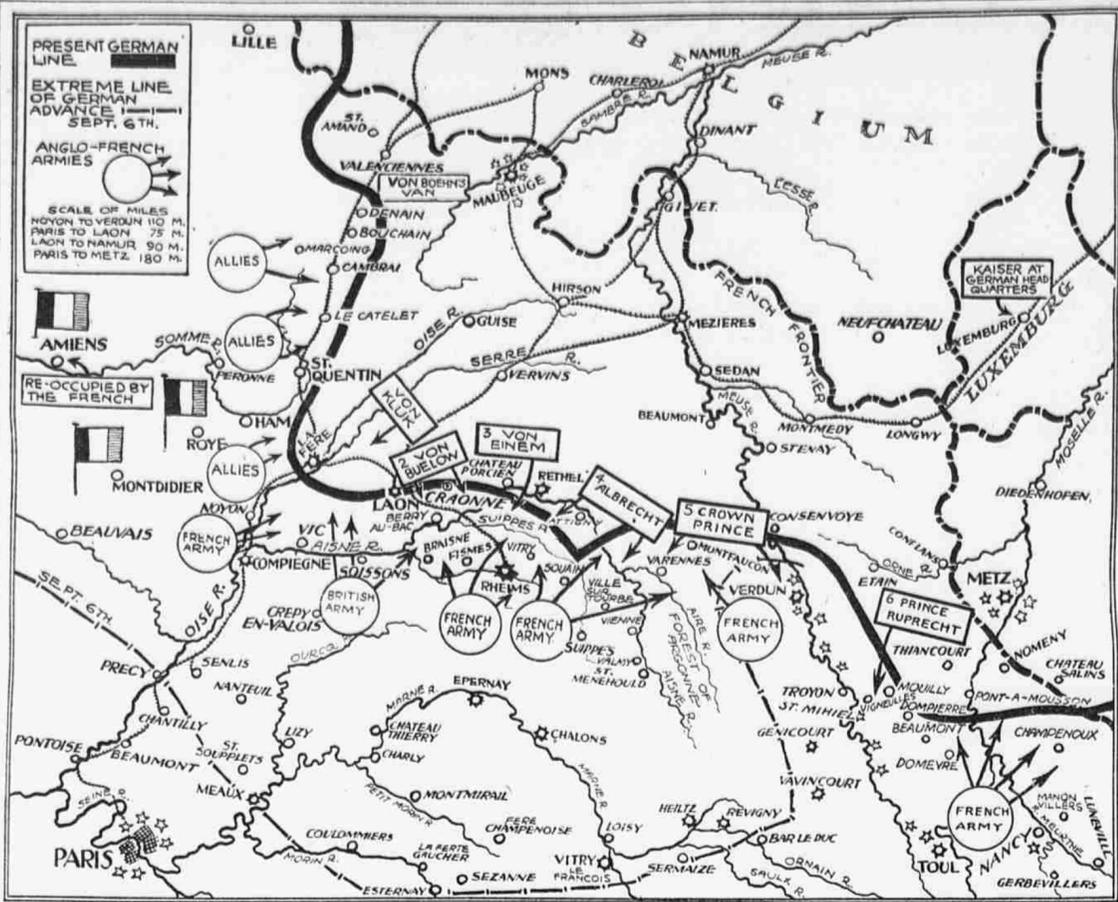
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VAR WILL PROFIT JEWS BY EXTENDING LIBERTIES

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—In a letter written by Israel Zangwill, noted author, to Herman Bernstein, who is to edit the Day, a new Jewish daily newspaper that will be started here next week, Zangwill says the present European war probably will result in the political freedom of Jews in Russia. After referring to the postponement of the Balfour conference, which was to have been held in Zurich several days ago, Zangwill says: "But the world war must so seriously transform the Jewish question that it is impossible to say now what should be the next step in the way of Jewish liberation. Personally, I think it should be the enfranchisement of the Russian Jews, and I have been working at that, even at the risk of being called 'anti-British' at this terrible moment."

LORD KITCHENER CONFERS WITH CHIEFS FROM FRONT

ARMY OFFICIALS WORK OVER PLANS OF Campaign. LONDON, Sept. 25. Important dispatches, which were brought from the front by the Duke of Westminster and the Duke of Marlborough, were delivered at the War Office immediately after their arrival late last night.



The encircling movement of the Allies is continuing and their occupation of Peronne is confirmed. There is stiff fighting all along the line of General von Kluck's right, and General von Boehm's advance guard, who are defending the Mons route are in contact with the French and English forces all along a line running from Cambrai, north through Bouchain, Denain and St. Amand to the Belgian frontier.

CRACOW IN PERIL AS RUSSIANS GAIN OUTER DEFENSES

Austrians Are Pushed West of San — Przemysl Sortie Repulsed—Winter March on Berlin Planned.

PETROGRAD "NEWS" FALSE, AVERS LOCAL AUSTRIAN CONSUL

Discounts Reports of Extensive Action in Galicia and Announces Continued Triumph Over Serbs.

FRANCE PROTESTS AGAINST PRACTICES IN GERMAN WARFARE

Embassy Statement to United States Declares Violations of Hague Convention Were Premeditated.

SENT TO THE "CORRECTIVE"

Man Breaks Promise After Wife Gives Him Another Chance.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 25. That the Russian army marching against Cracow have already pushed on almost to the outer fortifications of that strong Austrian position is announced here. The troops are moving along the main line of the railway that extends from Jaroslavl. The main body of the army is reported in the neighborhood of Tarnow, with another army which crossed the San at a point south of Przemysl, and has already occupied Wladki and Sanok, moving to effect a junction with it along the southern railway line from Sanok.

Our position against the enemy—Russians and Serbians—is meeting with success everywhere, says the official statement. The troops in Galicia, now on the offensive, are enthusiastic. Heavy rains prevent them from pursuing the beaten enemy far, but they have taken many prisoners.

Official news of great victories by the Austro-Hungarian army over the Serbians was received by wireless today from the Foreign Office at Vienna. The Austrians have penetrated into Serbia more than 20 miles and captured strong positions on the Drina River, according to the report. Like messages conveyed the news that the attack of the French fleet on Cattaro had proved a failure, only slight damage being done.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Ten official reports, showing German barbarities in French territory during the present war have been committed systematically upon instructions from officers, rather than by the chance excesses of the soldiers themselves, have been communicated to the Powers signatory to the Hague convention, according to a statement issued by the French Embassy here today.

According to a home report the Russians have seized all the passes in the Carpathians and have occupied Stanislaw and Kolomey, both of which are cities of considerable size and both junction points on the railroad that crosses the Carpathians into Hungary from eastern Galicia.

Since the beginning of the war thousands of refugees have arrived here from Bukovina and Galicia. They have increased the number of unemployed, which otherwise would have been comparatively small.

In Philadelphia this afternoon George von Grivice, Austro-Hungarian Consul General, gave out this statement, announcing the success of the Austrians: "According to wireless news received, no fight occurred in Galicia during the last few days except some unimportant skirmishes. The weather is said to be very unfavorable, but the troops of the Austro-Hungarian army are in excellent condition."

The United States Government has been given one of the series of reports. The statement from the Embassy reads: "By order of the Government of the French republic, a series of official reports, supplying incontrovertible testimony as to the way in which the present war is being carried on in French territory by German troops, has been communicated to the Powers who signed the Hague convention, the United States being one of them."

The fiercest fighting previous to the capture of Jaroslavl by the Russians was at Sedowa-Wisniza, where a battle was in progress for a week.

This information was conveyed in official messages today, and those who were inclined to believe that the reported conference between King Alfonso and Ambassador Willard, at Madrid, yesterday, interpreted as a peace conference, dealt solely with this question.

"Equally incorrect in all news which persistently content that a famine had broken out in Austria-Hungary, and that a depressed feeling prevails among the soldiers of the army and among the population of the monarchy. A wireless telegram just received emphasizes to the contrary that the mood, as well as the army, are in best of spirits and have full confidence in final victory."

"These documents, ten in number, show that the destruction and assassinations which have taken place have been systematic, and performed in accordance with orders from the officers, and not as a result of an accidental lack of discipline."

The main Russian army, under Grand Duke Nicholas, seconded by Generals Ruzsky and Brusiloff, is operating against the Austrians and their German reinforcements, and the General Staff believes the Austrian last stand will take place at Cracow, and after that it will be possible for the Russians to devote their entire attention to Germany.

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"Extraordinary courage was displayed by our forces fighting on the Serbian borders, among these the 123 (Croatian) Honved Division. This news is significant in that it is usually held that the Russians brutalize the Jewish inhabitants in all occupied places in Galicia and incite the Russian peasants against the Jews. The reputation of Russians against Jewish inhabitants are getting worse and worse, and are in striking contrast to the Czar's manifesto to his 'beloved Jews.'"

"Attention is called as regards such violation of the Hague convention 4 of the Hague, which was proposed by the German delegates, that the night cause such destruction that mentioned above would be bound to injure the injured parties and would be responsible for any acts committed by members of his army."

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SCANDAL OF JURY WHEEL AGAIN HEARD BY GRAND INQUEST

Delaware County's District Attorney Submits Fraud Charges Against ex-Sheriff and Two Commissioners.

The case of ex-Sheriff S. E. Sproul and Jury Commissioner Jacob Wise and James Stuart, charged with malfeasance in office, was called before the Grand Jury in Media today by District Attorney John B. Hannum. Until a late hour this afternoon no decision had been reached.

In December, 1912, the community of Media was shocked by the discovery that more than 30 names had been found in the jury wheel which had not been selected by the court. When this discovery was made by the court it was pointed out that a jury selected for the trial of criminals would not be an unbiased one, but would consist mostly of those whose names, it was alleged, had been improperly placed on the list of jurymen.

The reason given at the time of the exposure was that the names had been placed there to protect several prominent Republicans accused of forging Washington party and Bull Moose nomination papers.

A petition was presented before Judge Isaac Johnson in Media this morning by the Bar Committee of Delaware County, asking that the court permit the "bad slips," which were discovered in the jury wheel, to be turned over to an expert for identification. The Judge held the request under advisement.

The expert who is to be named by the Bar Committee will examine the slips, which will remain in the custody of District Attorney Hannum, as soon as permission is granted by the court. This is thought to be a matter of only a few days.

The petition was presented to the court by A. B. Geary, E. A. Howell and Frank H. Rhoades, who formed the committee named by the members of the local bar association which is conducting the jury scandal investigation. This is the fourth or fifth time the jury scandal has been aired in some way or other since early in 1912.

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Failure to keep his promise after his wife had given him another chance a week ago, resulted today in James Donohue, of 236 North Clarion street, being sent to the House of Correction for three months, by Magistrate Emely, at the Park and Lehigh avenues station.

Donohue was arraigned in the District Court on the complaint of his wife recently, but she agreed to give him another chance. She testified today that he took \$4 she was saving toward the rent of their home and went on a spree with it. According to his wife Donohue had not worked for a year.

Man Accused of Including Fire Extinguisher in Rubbish Collection. A fire extinguisher collected, the police say, by William McLaughlin, of 260 North Eleventh street, along with a pile of papers and rubbish in the carpenter shop of Irwin & Leitch, at 125 North Twelfth street, resulted in the arrest of the man today. He was held in \$500 bail for court by Magistrate Emely, at the Eleventh and Winter streets station.

McLaughlin cleans out the shop each morning and after he left the extinguisher was missed. Policeman Gurt found the man hiding in under his coat.

Lewis J. Segrest, 57 years old, died yesterday at the home of his son, Lewis F. Segrest, 319 Diamond street. He had been in splendid health until two years ago, when he broke down on account of the death of his brother. Segrest retired thirty years ago from his business as contractor and builder. One son, Lewis F., a druggist, who has been retired for the last fifteen years, survives.

SIR JAMES WHITNEY DIES. TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 25.—Sir James Whitney, Premier of Ontario, died at noon today. He was 74 years old. He succeeded to the leadership of the Conservative opposition in 1905 and became Premier in 1905.

MAN DYING, HIT BY BOARD. Richard Chambers, of 187 Wood street, a laborer employed on a building operation at Thirtieth and Cherry streets, was struck on the head by his board, a ten-foot board that fell from the seventh floor of the structure. The man is dying at the Hahnemann Hospital. Several other workmen narrowly escaped being hit by the board.

WAB WORRY CAUSES SUICIDE. LANCASTER, Pa., Sept. 25.—Two miners today found the dead body, and with it a letter from his son, Lewis F. Segrest, 70 years old, hanging from a rafter in the carriage shed at Steinmetz's Monastery Church, near Schuylkill. From remarks made by him yesterday, it is believed he committed suicide through brooding over the subject of Germany.

WORKMEN INJURED BY CAR. While lugging dirt in a cable car at the Belmont Pumping Station this afternoon, two men, Charles Krumpholtz, a German farm laborer, 70 years old, hanging from a rafter in the carriage shed at Steinmetz's Monastery Church, near Schuylkill. From remarks made by him yesterday, it is believed he committed suicide through brooding over the subject of Germany.